

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2294 - SB 2403

January 29, 2012

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the issuance of a hunting license to any individual who has been found by a certified physician to be intellectually disabled and has attended a hunter education course. When hunting, such individual must be accompanied by a person 25 years of age or older who is certified and licensed to hunt. Establishes a one-time fee for such license which shall be an amount sufficient to cover the costs of implementing the program.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Revenue - \$1,500/Over a 10-Year Period/Wildlife Resources Fund**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$1,500/One-Time/Wildlife Resources Fund**

Assumptions:

- The basic hunter education course is free of charge to anyone regardless of age. Any increase in expenditures for additional participants will be not significant.
- According to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA), there would be a one-time cost of \$1,500 for system changes to identify intellectually disabled individuals on a license.
- TWRA estimates that a fee of approximately \$10 will be charged to cover the cost.
- It is estimated that 15 of these licenses would be sold each year.
- It is estimated that TWRA would recover the cost of implementing the program over a period of 10 years (\$10 license fee x 15 new licenses per year x 10 years = \$1,500).
- It is assumed that after the total cost of implementation has been recovered, TWRA will cease charging a fee for the license.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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